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Emergency Manager's Weekly Report 12-21-12

(The articles, reports and additional information contained in this edition were collected from 12-14 to 12-21)

“You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty.”

Mahatma Gandhi



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Introduction and Contributions

Introduction

The Emergency Manager's Weekly Report started back in 2000 as a simple e-mail message to share news and resources with a select group of colleagues. Since then it has grown significantly and shares news and resources with emergency management professionals from around the world.

The Weekly Reports social media presence includes the following:

- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>
- LinkedIn: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report-3833131?mostPopular=&qid=3833131&goback=%2Egmp_3833131%2Egde_3833131_member_47547619
- Twitter: [@steveorange2003](https://twitter.com/steveorange2003)

Feel free to like, join and follow these pages because I regularly share news and information through them daily.

Steve Detwiler
EM Weekly Report Creator

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News and Information Contributions

The following individuals or groups contribute to the Emergency Manager's Weekly Report.

- International Association of Emergency Managers
- National Emergency Management Association
- Florida Emergency Preparedness Association
- Emergency Management Institute, Higher Education Program
- Montgomery County, PA Department of Public Safety
- Natural Hazards Center
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Interagency Coordinating Council on Emergency Preparedness and Individuals with Disabilities
- EAD & Associates, LLC
- Emergency Information Infrastructure Project
- U.S. Access Board
- Florida Division of Emergency Management
- Dave Freeman
- Gregory Banner
- Arthur Rabjohn
- Martha Braddock
- Ed Kostiuk
- Kenny Shaw
- Dean Larson
- Chris Floyd
- CNN
- MSNBC
- Associated Press
- Reuters
- USAToday
- Time
- Drudge Report
- Central Florida News 13
- Orlando Sentinel
- LA Times
- Government Executive
- BBC
- Homeland 1
- Federal Computer Weekly
- Firehouse Magazine
- Emergency Management Magazine
- Homeland Security Today
- ReliefWeb
- Big Medicine
- IRIN
- Homeland Security Today
- Washington Post
- NY Times
- Yahoo News
- Big Medicine
- Emergency Management Daily
- PreventionWeb

Distribution Contributions

The EM Weekly Report is also distributed through numerous social media platforms. Below is a comprehensive list and I would like to thank the page/group administrators for allowing me to post the link to the weekly report. These sites are:

Facebook Groups/Pages

- Emergency Managers
- National Tribal Emergency Management Council
- Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council
- NEMRC
- Pearce Global Partners
- Emergency Management issues

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- FEMA Only
- EMPOWER
- Emergency Management Higher Education Community
- California Disasters

Linkedin Groups

- All Hands Community Network
- California Emergency Services Association
- Emergency Management and Homeland Security Professionals
- Emergency Management Professionals
- FEMA Only
- International Emergency Managers
- Journal of Business Continuity and Emergency Planning
- National Emergency Management Resource Center [NEMRC]
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Association
- Professionals in Emergency Management
- Social Media Crisis Communications
- SMEM Social Media Emergency Management
- Comprehensive Emergency Management Research Network
- Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) - US Membership
- Disaster & Emergency Management
- Emergency Management Professionals Workgroup
- Recovery Co-Op
- Emergency Management in Florida
- IAEM-MA

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Executive Summary

This section of the EM Weekly Report will contain news articles, reports and resources that are of particular interest to emergency management professionals:

Aerial Drone Aids in Chemical Train Derailment Response

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Aerial-Drone-Train-Derailment-Response.html>

FEMA Sometimes Exceeded Cap on Temporary Disaster Employees

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/fema-sometimes-exceeded-cap-on-temporary-disaster-employees/e7d553bb5ac3664f6a64ce7bf04ae9fe.html#.UMnbYkfwKl4.facebook>

Secession petition gets Texas man in trouble with State Guard superiors, father says

http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secession-petition-gets-texas-man-in-trouble-with-state-guard-superiors-father-says/2012/12/15/f76ea85c-447b-11e2-9648-a2c323a991d6_story.html?hpid=z12

What's a "prepper"?

http://www.salon.com/2012/12/17/what_is_a_prepper/?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Supply Chain Management Will Enable a More Efficient Response

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Supply-Chain-Management-Efficient-Response.html>

Brevard gears up to be tsunami-ready (Florida)

<http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20121218/NEWS01/312180023/Brevard-gears-up-tsunami-ready>

Report: States losing ground in emergency preparedness

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2012/12/19/public-health-emergency-preparedness/1778439/>

Report on Benghazi attack cites 'systemic failures'

http://www.cnn.com/2012/12/18/us/state-benghazi-report/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

DHS Places Last in Best Places to Work Survey

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/dhs-places-last-in-best-places-to-work-survey/5fd7b4c1bea1ad889f4db3e4ad0e26bf.html>

Cyberattacks on US banks resume, aiming to block their websites

<http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/2012/1214/Cyberattacks-on-US-banks-resume-aiming-to-block-their-websites?nav=87-frontpage-entryNineltem>

Public-Private Partnership Confronts Cybersecurity

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Public-Private-Partnership-Cybersecurity.html>

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Terror Group Gives 'Petulant' US Recruit a Timeout

<http://news.yahoo.com/terror-group-gives-petulant-us-recruit-timeout-171545539--abc-news-topstories.html>

New Jersey Neo-Nazis Arrested in Assaults on Middle Easterners

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/12/18/new-jersey-neo-nazis-arrested-in-assaults-on-middle-easterners/>

Anti-Muslim Legislative Aide in Alaska Quits in Ethics Breach

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/12/18/anti-muslim-legislative-aide-in-alaska-quits-in-ethics-breach/>

Prosecutors: Fla. man planned NY terror bombing

http://www.pulse.me/ap/3f87cc697dd7424783a26adfa5d01658?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Army seeks death penalty in Afghan massacre case

<http://news.yahoo.com/army-seeks-death-penalty-afghan-massacre-case-175816052.html>

Idaho sues federal government over ROTC fire

http://www.idahostatejournal.com/news/state/article_1e6442df-0718-5803-a37d-b8a6a49f31fc.html

Wheelchair Girl Held Over Explosives

<http://gma.yahoo.com/blogs/abc-blogs/wheelchair-bound-preteen-held-tsa-traces-explosives-found-161802927--abc-news-travel.html>

New nursing home inspection website helps consumers make choices (Florida)

<http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/local/breakingnews/os-nursing-home-inspection-website-20121217,0,171167.story>

No Alarm Sounded When the West Virginia Pipeline Exploded

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2012/12/13/167169109/no-alarm-sounded-when-the-west-virginia-pipeline-exploded>

Can rapid, near-patient flu tests improve public health preparedness and response?

<http://phe.gov/ASPRBlog/Lists/Posts/Post.aspx?ID=34>

Corps of Engineers releases additional water from lake to aid Mississippi River traffic

http://www.army.mil/article/93079/Corps_of_Engineers_releases_additional_water_from_lake_to_aid_Mississippi_River_traffic/

Radioactive hot spots remain at former research facility's site (California)

<http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-meltdown-study-20121218,0,2007532.story>

National Weather Service tests new, simpler winter hazard communications

http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2012/20121212_hazardsimplification.html

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Fracking is transforming our energy economy—but it's also causing earthquakes
<http://tv.msnbc.com/2012/12/08/fracking-transformed-our-energy-economy-but-its-also-causing-earthquakes/>

Oklahoma man planted bombs targeting romantic rival, police say
http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/12/16/oklahoma-man-planted-bombs-targeting-romantic-rival-police-say/?cmpid=app_pulse&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

NIH Revisits Debate on Controversial Bird Flu Research
<http://www.npr.org/blogs/health/2012/12/18/167466251/nih-to-revisit-debate-on-controversial-bird-flu-research>

New Orleans-area emergency response radio encryption plans will keep public from listening (Louisiana)
http://www.nola.com/crime/index.ssf/2012/12/new_orleans-area_emergency_res.html?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

Nearly four in 10 U.S. residents blame weather on "end times"
<http://news.yahoo.com/nearly-four-10-u-residents-blame-weather-end-200603898.html>

In Mayan doomsday, marketers see \$\$\$ opportunity
http://www.nbcnews.com/business/mayan-doomsday-marketers-see-opportunity-1C7608708?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews#/business/mayan-doomsday-marketers-see-opportunity-1C7608708

Will the World End on Dec. 21?
<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Will-World-End-Dec-21.html>

NOPD Conviction Overturned in Post-Katrina Shooting (Louisiana)
http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/criminal-justice/law-disorder/nopd-conviction-overturned-in-post-katrina-shooting/?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium&utm_campaign

9/11 Cancer Study Raises More Questions Over Risk
<http://www.firefighternation.com/article/news-2/911-cancer-study-raises-more-questions-over-risk>

Sen. Inouye Walks On With an 'Aloha'
<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/article/sen-inouye-walks-%E2%80%99aloha%E2%80%99-146379>

Great ball of China: Farmer builds survival pod to save him (and 13 others) from tsunami, earthquake... and Mayan doomsday
<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2246313/Great-ball-China-Farmer-builds-survival-pod-save-13-tsunami-earthquake--Mayan-doomsday.html>

Germany Seeks to Ban a Far-Right Party
http://world.time.com/2012/12/14/germany-seeks-to-ban-a-far-right-party/?xid=rss-topstories&utm_source=pulsenews&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+time%2Ftopstories+%28TIME%3A+Top+Stories%29&utm_content=FaceBook

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UN and humanitarian partners launch US\$8.5 billion appeal to help 51 million people in need in 2013 (EN/FR)

<http://reliefweb.int/report/world/un-and-humanitarian-partners-launch-us85-billion-appeal-help-51-million-people-need>

Jews face down new extremism from Hungary's far-right

<http://worldnews.nbcnews.com/news/2012/12/16/15946303-jews-face-down-new-extremism-from-hungarys-far-right?lite>

How preparing for disasters is critical for APEC economies

<http://www.bangkokpost.com/business/economics/326571/how-preparing-for-disasters-is-critical-for-apec-economies>

Clinton Bush Fund Leaves Haiti

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/willyfoote/2012/12/14/clinton-bush-fund-leaves-haiti/>

Search crews struggle with social media (Canada)

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/story/2012/12/07/nb-social-media-search-1050.html>

London Fire Brigade to establish UK's first 999 emergency twitter feed

<http://bigmedicine.ca/wordpress/2012/12/england-london-fire-brigade-to-establish-uks-first-999-emergency-twitter-feed/>

NGOs critical of UN role in combating Kony's Lord's Resistance Army

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/global-development/2012/dec/18/ngo-un-kony-lords-resistance-army>

New SARS-Like Virus Infects Both Humans and Animals

http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2012/12/new-coronavirus-infectious/?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Robot 'race' to fix damaged Fukushima nuclear plant (Japan)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-20678838>

Bangladesh probe: Fire sabotage, owner negligent

<http://news.yahoo.com/bangladesh-probe-fire-sabotage-owner-negligent-151949772--finance.html>

Violent polar storms help control the world's weather

<http://www.newscientist.com/article/mg21628964.600-violent-polar-storms-help-control-the-worlds-weather.html>

'Armageddon' Plan Needed For Asteroid Impacts

<http://www.weather.com/news/asteroid-impact-plan-20121217>

Fake Malaria Drugs Fuel Rise of Drug-Resistant Disease

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/health/2012/12/19/167282184/fake-malaria-drugs-fuel-rise-of-drug-resistant-disease>

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Mali's Endless Crisis: Army Soldiers Force Out Prime Minister

http://world.time.com/2012/12/11/malis-endless-crisis-army-soldiers-arrest-prime-minister/?xid=rss-topstories&utm_source=pulsenews&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+time%2Ftopstories+%28TIME%3A+Top+Stories%29&utm_content=FaceBook

Sudan has carried out little of Darfur peace deal -U.S. official

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/news/sudan-has-carried-out-little-of-darfur-peace-deal--us-official/>

How the UN's 'Game-Changing' Internet Treaty Failed

<http://www.theatlantic.com/technology/archive/2012/12/how-the-uns-game-changing-internet-treaty-failed/266263/>

Global economy risks falling into renewed recession, warns UN report

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=43803&Cr=economy&Cr1>

Israel to face new condemnation for settlements

<http://www.miamiherald.com/2012/12/18/3147194/4-eu-nations-to-condemn-latest.html>

Opposition protest fizzles in Egypt

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle_east/opposition-protest-fizzles-in-egypt/2012/12/18/a4a492b6-4954-11e2-8af9-9b50cb4605a7_story.html

IPCC critical of climate change report leak

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-20726355>

Climate Conversations - Why a global climate agreement is necessary - and possible

<http://www.trust.org/alertnet/blogs/climate-conversations/why-a-global-climate-agreement-is-necessary-and-possible/>

Experts Call for End to Climate Mega Summits

<http://www.spiegel.de/international/world/top-researchers-call-for-an-end-to-united-nations-climate-summits-a-872992.html>

New nuclear plant, Hinkley Point C, design unveiled (United Kingdom)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-20701474>

PETER THIEL'S LATEST PET PROJECT: TORNADO-POWERED ENERGY

<http://www.popsci.com/technology/article/2012-12/paypal-cofounder-funds-tornado-harnessing-power-generator-produce-cheap-clean-energy>

Kidney Community Emergency Response Coalition (KCER) Hurricane Isaac After-Action Report, November 20, 2012

http://www.kcercoalition.com/pdf/KCER_Hurricane_Isaac_After_Action_Report_11-20-12.pdf

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DHS Multi-Band Radio Pilot Report: Operational Assessment

<http://www.firstresponder.gov/Operational%20Field%20Assessments/Multi%20Band%20Radio%20Pilot%20Report.pdf>

Ready or Not: Protecting the Public from Diseases, Disasters, and Bioterrorism
December 2012 Report

<http://www.healthyamericans.org/report/101/>

U.S. State Department, Accountability Review Board Report for Benghazi, Libya

<http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/202446.pdf>

Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Defense Information Analysis Center
Newsletter

https://www.cbrniac.apgea.army.mil/Documents/vol13_num4_lo_res.pdf

Morning Bell: Rebuilding Communities

<http://blog.heritage.org/2012/12/17/morning-bell-rebuilding-communities/>

USAID Action Plan on Children in Adversity

<http://www.usaid.gov/children-in-adversity>

EM Forum, Pre-Disaster Recovering Planning: Avoiding the Rush to Normalcy Webinar
Recording

www.emforum.org

NIMS ICS Guide App

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/nims-ics-guide/id406880725?mt=8>

United Nations University, Addressing Loss and Damage in the Context of Social
Vulnerability and Resilience

<http://www.ehs.unu.edu/file/get/10570.pdf>

Drug Enforcement Administration, NATIONAL CLANDESTINE LABORATORY
REGISTER

<http://www.justice.gov/dea/clan-lab/clan-lab.shtml>

FCC Smartphone Security Checker

<http://www.fcc.gov/smartphone-security>

Bobby Ghosh: Why global jihad is losing- Video

http://www.ted.com/talks/bobby_ghosh_why_global_jihad_is_losing.html

Outage Center Goes Mobile (California)

<http://www.sce.com/info/mobileoutage.htm?from=residential>

Text to 9-1-1: Things to Consider

<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/Larton-Text-to-911-Considerations>

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Regional Risk Analysis Reports

The Regional Risk Analysis Reports are designed as a practical decision support tool for wildland fire management organizations, Federal, state and local governments, non-governmental organizations and local communities.

<http://www.forestsandangelands.gov/strategy/rsc.shtml#riskanalysis>

Facebook Pages

Several new pages have been added as "Likes" on the EM Weekly Report's Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Emergency-Managers-Weekly-Report/110533579036082>). They include:

- 9-1-1 MAGAZINE
- NAMI- National Alliance on Mental Issues

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U.S. News Reports

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Secession petition gets Texas man in trouble with State Guard superiors, father says

http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/secession-petition-gets-texas-man-in-trouble-with-state-guard-superiors-father-says/2012/12/15/f76ea85c-447b-11e2-9648-a2c323a991d6_story.html?hpid=z12

Oahu evacuation plan to roll out early 2013 (Hawaii)

<http://www.kitv.com/news/hawaii/Oahu-evacuation-plan-to-roll-out-early-2013/-/8905354/17756132/-/102mrfx/-/index.html?absolute=true>

What's a "prepper"?

http://www.salon.com/2012/12/17/what_is_a_prepper/?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews

Supply Chain Management Will Enable a More Efficient Response

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Supply-Chain-Management-Efficient-Response.html>

Best Partnership Finalists: Caterpillar with First Response Team of America

<http://bcllc.uschamber.com/citizens2012/best-partnership-finalists-caterpillar-first-response-team-america>

Brevard gears up to be tsunami-ready (Florida)

<http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20121218/NEWS01/312180023/Brevard-gears-up-tsunami-ready>

Report: States losing ground in emergency preparedness

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2012/12/19/public-health-emergency-preparedness/1778439/>

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Homeland Security, Defense and National Security

Report on Benghazi attack cites 'systemic failures'

http://www.cnn.com/2012/12/18/us/state-benghazi-report/index.html?hpt=hp_t1

Three State officials resign in wake of Benghazi report

<http://firstread.nbcnews.com/news/2012/12/19/16020655-three-state-officials-resign-in-wake-of-benghazi-report?lite>

DHS Places Last in Best Places to Work Survey

<http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/dhs-places-last-in-best-places-to-work-survey/5fd7b4c1bea1ad889f4db3e4ad0e26bf.html>

Commercial Milestone Advances DHS Effort to Prevent and Detect Nuclear Terrorism

<https://www.dhs.gov/blog/2012/12/17/commercial-milestone-advances-dhs-effort-prevent-and-detect-nuclear-terrorism>

Pentagon Warns: 'Pervasive' Industrial Spying Targets U.S. Space Tech

<http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/12/space-espionage/>

Cyberattacks on US banks resume, aiming to block their websites

<http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/2012/1214/Cyberattacks-on-US-banks-resume-aiming-to-block-their-websites?nav=87-frontpage-entryNineltem>

Feds: 4 Texas Officers Guarded Cocaine Shipments

<http://www.kveo.com/feds-4-texas-officers-guarded-cocaine-shipments>

UFO hacker won't be tried in Britain for Pentagon, NASA crimes

<http://www.nbcnews.com/technology/technolog/ufo-hacker-wont-be-tried-britain-pentagon-nasa-crimes-1C7615010#/technology/technolog/ufo-hacker-wont-be-tried-britain-pentagon-nasa-crimes-1C7615010>

Public-Private Partnership Confronts Cybersecurity

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/safety/Public-Private-Partnership-Cybersecurity.html>

Terror Group Gives 'Petulant' US Recruit a Timeout

<http://news.yahoo.com/terror-group-gives-petulant-us-recruit-timeout-171545539--abc-news-topstories.html>

New Jersey Neo-Nazis Arrested in Assaults on Middle Easterners

<http://www.splcenter.org/blog/2012/12/18/new-jersey-neo-nazis-arrested-in-assaults-on-middle-easterners/>

Anti-Muslim Legislative Aide in Alaska Quits in Ethics Breach

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